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**Patent Application**

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**Title:** METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ESTABLISHMENT AND  
MANAGEMENT OF VOICE-OVER IP VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORKS IN IP-  
BASED COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

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**RESPONSE AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

This amendment is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination.

Please reconsider the above-identified patent application as follows. In the event that an extension of time is required for this amendment to be considered timely, and a petition therefor does not otherwise accompany this amendment, any necessary extension of time is hereby petitioned for.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees due (**RCE \$810**), including extension of time and excess claim fees, to counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/LCNT/125695.